



PATENT CASE: CN01167K2S

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In re Application of: Zhang *et al.* : Examiner: To be assigned
Serial No.: 09/835,922 : Art Unit: 1646
Filed: April 16, 2001 : Date: March 26, 2002
For: G-Protein Coupled Receptor and Methods :
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

The Applicants submit this Preliminary Amendment and an Associate Power of Attorney. Applicants respectfully request that the following amendments be entered prior to examination of the above-identified application:

AMENDMENTS

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

- (1) On page 1, in the line following the title, please insert the following paragraph:

-- This application is a non-provisional application, which claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) to United States provisional application Serial Number 60/199,041 filed April 21, 2000. --

- (2) Please replace the paragraph on page 5, line 9 with the following rewritten paragraph: